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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Trujillo DATE TYPED 3/11/03 HM 61

SHORT TITLE Santa Fe Crime Victim Assistance Office SB \_\_\_\_\_

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### APPROPRIATION

| Appropriation Contained |      | Estimated Additional Impact |      | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|-------------------------|------|-----------------------------|------|----------------------|---------------|
| FY05                    | FY06 | FY05                        | FY06 |                      |               |
|                         | NFI  |                             |      |                      |               |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Revenue Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Memorial 61 resolves the House of Representatives support the joint efforts of the county of Santa Fe and the city of Santa Fe to create and manage a victims of crime assistance office in the Santa Fe county sheriff's department. The memorial further resolves that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the county manager and the county commissioners of the county of Santa Fe, the Santa Fe county sheriff's department and the mayor, city manager and city councilors of the city of Santa Fe.

#### Significant Issues

If created, this program will be the first in the state of New Mexico to provide on a full-time basis assistance to victims of crime at a local and regional level, according to information in the memorial.

Findings cited in HM61 note that Santa Fe County:

- submitted a proposal to the U.S. Department of Justice requesting funding to create a victims of crime assistance office for the county and was denied,
- remains committed to finding the means to address the critical need of assisting victims of crime and resolves to create a victims of crime assistance office in the Santa Fe County sheriff's department,

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- will work collaboratively with neighboring municipal, county and pueblo governments to develop, a regional victims of crime awareness and assistance program and
- will provide twenty-four hour bilingual services to victims of crimes, including counseling referrals, telephone outreach, court advocacy and escort, victim impact statements, crime victim compensation assistance, educational programs for schools and community groups and community assistance resource,

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